

First come the required sources of supplies and services, Then come Micropurchases and the Simplified Acquisition Procedures...

CONFUSED ABOUT YOUR RIGHTS...

Know The Law!

The word is out. The Federal Acquisition Streamlining Act, which covers micropurchasing and the new simplified acquisition procedures, has been signed. Now some people are thinking,

"Does that really mean I can use my government purchase card without considering UNICOR, NIB/NISH, stock programs, excess inventory, or Federal Supply Schedules anymore?"

The answer is,
NO!

A House of Representative's conference report covering the Federal Acquisition Streamlining Act of 1994, states, "The conferees do not intend that the increased threshold alter the current priority among sources of supplies and services under Part 8 and 13 of the Federal Acquisition Regulation."

So, remember...
before you go to your local supplier you must first consider the listing in FAR 8.001, Priorities for use of Government supply sources, listed below.

(1) SUPPLIES

- (i) Agency inventories
- (ii) Excess from other agencies
- (iii) **Federal Prison Industries, Inc. (UNICOR)**
- (iv) Procurement lists of supplies available from the committee for the purchase from people who are blind or severely disabled (NIB/NISH)
- (v) Wholesale supply sources, such as stock program of the General Services Administration, the Defense Logistics Agency, the Department of Veterans Affairs, and military inventory control points.
- (vi) Mandatory Federal Supply Schedules
- (vii) Optional use Federal Supply Schedules, and
- (viii) Commercial sources.

(2) SERVICES

- (i) Procurement lists of services available from the committee for purchase from people who are blind or severely disabled (NIB/NISH),
- (ii) Mandatory Federal Supply Schedules and mandatory GSA term contracts for personal property rehabilitation,
- (iii) optional use Federal Supply Schedules and optional use GSA term contracts for personal property rehabilitation
- (iv) Federal Prison Industries, Inc. (UNICOR) or commercial sources.

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- On-line Order Status and Tracking
- One Stop Shopping
- One Invoice

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- DD 488 - MIPR (Military Interdepartmental Purchase Request)
- Standard FEDSTRIP/MILSTRIP System
- MOA (Memorandum of Agreement)
- MOU (Memorandum of Understanding)
- DD 1149 OR SF 1449- Purchase Order
- DD 1155 Order for Supplies and Services
- OF 347- Order for Supplies and Services
- *and of course the*
- SF-1 Form
- **Government Purchase Card**

Note: reference partial listing:
<http://www.unicor.gov/procurement/proforms.htm>
for a complete listing.

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